

ALBERT KOHLER BARN

Albert Kohler and his brother, Fred, built this barn in the early 1920's at 310 West Main in Midway. The frame of the barn was made with red pine 10X12 planks and fastened together with wooden pegs. Stalls for milking lined both sides of the barn. In 1929, Albert traded their Midway house for the Feliz Martin house at 996 N. River Road and bought the farm land owned by Feliz Martin. In the deal the barn was to be dismantled and moved to the farm. Albert and his brother accomplished this project. In 1950 the milking parlor was built on the front of the barn and the old milking stalls became a feed and launing area for part of the herd of cows. The milking stalls were replaced by movable mangers that moved forward as the amount of hay decreased, making more launing area. An unfortunite fire leveled the structure on June 29, 1979, never to be rebuilt.

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